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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Request and Comment Request

The Social Security Administration (SSA) publishes a list of information collection packages

requiring clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in compliance with Public

Law 104-13, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, effective October 1, 1995. This notice

includes revisions of OMB-approved information collections.

SSA is soliciting comments on the accuracy of the agency's burden estimate; the need for the

information; its practical utility; ways to enhance its quality, utility, and clarity; and ways to

minimize burden on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other

forms of information technology. Mail, email, or fax your comments and recommendations on

the information collection(s) to the OMB Desk Officer and SSA Reports Clearance Officer at the

following addresses or fax numbers.

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The information collections below are pending at SSA. SSA will submit them to OMB within 60 days from the date of this notice. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Individuals can obtain copies of the collection instruments by writing to the above email address.

1. Statement Regarding Contributions -- 20 CFR 404.360 - 404.366 and 404.736

-- **0960-0020.** SSA uses the SSA-783 to collect information regarding a child's current sources of support when determining the child's entitlement to Social Security benefits. We request this information from adults acting on behalf of the child claimants who can provide SSA with any sources of support or substantial contributions for the child. These adults inform the claims representative of these sources and contributions as part of the initial claims process. If the individual capable of providing the information does not accompany the child claimant, we

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mail the SSA-783 to the individual for completion, or if the person has access to a computer, we will refer them to SSA's website where they can download a copy of the form for completion and submission. The respondents are individuals providing information about a child's sources of support.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Modality of Completion	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-783	30,000	1	17	8,500

## 2. Railroad Employment Questionnaire -- 20CFR 404.1401, 404.1406-404.1408 --

**0960-0078**. Railroad workers, their dependents, or their survivors can concurrently apply for railroad retirement and Social Security benefits at SSA if the number holder, or claimant on the number holder's Social Security number, worked in the railroad industry. SSA uses the SSA-671 to coordinate Social Security claims processing with the Railroad Retirement Board and to determine benefit entitlement and amount. The respondents are Social Security benefit applicants previously employed by a railroad or the dependents of railroad workers.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Modality of Completion	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden (hours)
SSA-671	125,000	1	5	10,417

II. SSA submitted the information collection below to OMB for clearance. Your comments regarding the information collection would be most useful if OMB and SSA receive them 30 days from the date of this publication. To be sure we consider your comments, we must receive them no later than [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].
Individuals can obtain copies of the OMB clearance package by writing to OR.Reports.Clearance@ssa.gov.

Questionnaire About Employment or Self-Employment Outside the United States -- 20 CFR 404.401(b)(1), 404.415 & 404.417 -- 0960-0050. When a Social Security beneficiary or claimant reports work outside the United States, SSA uses Form SSA-7163 to determine if foreign work deductions are applicable. Specifically, SSA uses Form SSA-7163 to determine: (1) whether work performed by beneficiaries outside the United States is cause for deductions from their monthly benefits; (2) which of two work tests (foreign or regular test) is applicable; and (3) the number of months, if any, for SSA-imposed deductions. As the respondents are beneficiaries living and working outside the United States, SSA must determine whether the annual earnings test applies to all earnings from work covered by the Social Security Act, including earnings from covered work performed outside the United States. However, because of the differences in foreign currency values, it is administratively impractical to apply this test to earnings from non-covered work performed outside the United States and base it on United States dollars. Accordingly, the 45-hour work test provides for deductions from the benefits of employees under full retirement age who engage in non-covered remunerative activity for more than 45 hours in a calendar month. SSA asks beneficiaries working outside the United States to complete this form annually or every other year (depending on the country of residence). Respondents are beneficiaries or claimants for Social Security benefits who are engaged in work outside the United States.

Type of Request: Revision of an OMB-approved information collection.

Modality of Completion	Number of Respondents	Frequency of Response	Average Burden Per Response (minutes)	Estimated Total Annual Burden
				(hours)
SSA-7163	20,000	1	12	4,000

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